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STATE TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY ADVISORY BOARD (STBIAB)
MEETING MINUTES
DATE: January 26, 2017

Present: Albert Burian, Rita Manriquez, William Rodrigues, Cora Speck,
Stephanie Yee, Mary Wilson, Lila Ota
Excused: Dr. Robert Sloan, Kawena Young, Elzy Kaina
Others: Lyna Burian; Brain Injury Association of Hawaii, Violet Horvath; Director
of Pacific Disabilities Center (PDC)
DOH Staff: Wendie Lino, Curtis Inouye, Chelsea Ko

- I. **Call to Order** – Meeting was called to order by Acting Chair William Rodrigues.
Quorum present.
- II. **Approval of Minutes from the July 21, 2016 meeting** – Board Member Cora Speck made a motion to accept the Minutes as written. Board Member Stephanie Yee seconded the motion. All Board Members present voted in favor of minutes being accepted as written. No questions.
- III. **Review of Agenda** – Board Member Rita Manriquez made a motion to accept the agenda as written. Board Member Lila Ota seconded that motion. All Board Members present voted in favor of accepting the agenda as written. No questions.
- IV. **New Business**
 - A. **Brain Injury Awareness Month March, 2017:**
The following is a compiled list of activities for the Brain Injury and Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month:
 - March 15: Health Fair at the UH campus center; time to be announced. In a joint effort with HCAMP, Neurotrauma Supports will be distributing

helmets to students who participate in the education and informational sessions

- March 16: A Day at the Capital; from 8:00-3:00pm; DD council and SAAC members will be talking and meeting with legislatures regarding DD issues; testimonies will be given
- Board Member Lila Ota, of Family Health Services, is attempting to get posters of individuals with different disabilities that are working in the community
- In a partnership with Montgomery Motors, Board Member Cora Speck of Queen's Medical Center, reported that they are putting together a presentation and packets on motorcycle and safety helmet. Packets will contain coupons for patients to buy helmets and gloves. Chairperson William Rodrigues recommended the tourist industry also be included in these efforts.
- Violet Horvath suggested a request be made to OLELO to play videos on traumatic brain injury (TBI)

B. Neurotrauma Strategic Plan Update:

DOH Staff Chelsea Ko, reported that the Neurotrauma Strategic Planning Committee has met a few times already; including a public forum that was conducted on January 19, 2017, inviting stakeholders to provide input/suggestions. The Strategic Plan is tentatively set to finalize by the end of March.

Furthermore, DOH Staff Wendie Lino, had asked the legislature for an increase in the ceiling that will serve as a cushion to balance out future and unplanned costs. The legislature denied the request. The ceiling increase was last appealed 5-years ago.

V. Old Business

A. Pacific Disabilities Center (PDC)-Hawaii Neurotrauma Registry (HNTR) Update:

A new contract was executed on December 20, 2016, allotting an additional 5-months to continue with the HNTR project. During this period, Dr. Violet Horvath-Director of PDC, noted that emphasis will be on presentations since they have been the most effective method statewide in recruiting individuals for the registry. Dr. Horvath reported that the Maui and Kona pacific brain injury group has invited HNTR back to do another round of presentations. Interested groups, with focus on attaining new groups, should contact Dr. Horvath for further information. In addition, HNTR is in the process of hiring an individual that will resume the position of Neurotrauma Coordinator; current NT Coordinator Mari has announced her retirement.

Although the registry was at a halt due to work stoppage, Dr. Horvath stated that HNTR information is still circulating and have resulted to the registration of several new individuals into the system; one in August and one in September and October 2016. To date, there are a total of 193 individuals from all islands except Moloka'i and Lana'i.

A quick recap of HNTR past/ongoing activities and accomplishments (March 21, 2013-present):

- In 2015, research was conducted on all state and national trauma registries
- Currently working on data collected of the first 3-years by HNTR
- An all-islands resource manual is presently being compiled for those with neurotrauma injuries-this is not part of the contract but the need is there
- HNTR has participated in 93 public events, distributed neurotrauma information to roughly 15,000 people state wide; given 61 presentations to the public and professionals; network with 261 partners; conducted extensive media campaigns with TV and radio shows- 5 TV specials, Public Service Announcements from 2014-2016, 4 radio shows, printed ads, newsletters; 3 project related websites-Facebook/Twitter account, electronic newsletters, YouTube channel; bus ad campaign
- Information referral services project; it has assisted 398 individuals with 838 pieces of information

In response to Mary's suggestion to revisit the critical skills for transition-aged youth project, Dr. Horvath stated that the request for funding has been submitted to the Department of Health (DOH), however, they are also looking at other funding resources. This project is currently on hold.

B. Neighbor Island TBI Activities Update:

Board Member Rita Manriquez will be conducting a presentation for the Kaua'i brain injury group, led by NTAB Chairperson Scott Sagum. Her presentation will highlight the challenges of living and coping with TBI.

C. DOH Update:

The TBI brochure is currently being reviewed by the Division Administrator. Once approved, it will be forwarded to the Communications Department for final approval.

VI. Announcements

A. Brain Injury Association of Hawaii

1) *Support Group and Educational Meetings*

- a. First Saturdays, 1-3 p.m., 2nd and 3rd Wednesdays, 6-8p.m., Rehabilitation Hospital of the Pacific, Wo Conference Room #4.
 - b. Per Board Member Ms. Lyna Burian, Senate Bill 225 will be in deliberation tomorrow. Supporters of the bill may send a letter to the Senator's office.
- 2) Concussions summit will be held on July 15, 2017; time and place to be announced
 - 3) Hawaiian Islands Trauma Symposium held at the Hilton; July 28-29, 2017
 - 4) Parent informational network will be held at the UH campus center; April 22, 2017
 - 5) Ms. Cora Speck suggested to recruit a representative from the Kapi'olani Medical Center to join STBIAB; recommendations of names were submitted

VII. Next Meeting:

Date: March 16, 2017

Location: Kalanimoku VCC and Neighbor Island Sites

Time: 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:30 p.m.